

## **A comprehensive patient safety program can significantly reduce preventable harm, associated costs, and hospital mortality.**

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The focus of safety programs is shifting from targeting individual types of errors to [building systems](#) to ensure safety across multiple domains. In this study from a children's hospital, implementation of a broad-based organizational safety improvement program that emphasized [safety culture](#) resulted in a sustained decrease in different types of preventable harm over a 3-year period.